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(11.019012)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of:

Brian Lentricchia, et al.

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For: NUCLEIC ACID EXTRACTION
SOLUTION AND USE THEREOF

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) Group Art Unit: 1637

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) Confirmation No.: 9843

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) Examiner: Jeffrey Siew

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

M/S: Non Fee

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed February 25, 2004, for the above-referenced application, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Claims 16-40 (Group II), drawn to method of extracting, classified in class 435, subclass 6.

Examination of the application is requested. Any questions regarding the above election should be brought to undersigned's attention.

Respectfully submitted,
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